

**Governor's P-20 Council
Data, Assessment and Graduation Committee
Tuesday, March 6, 2007 – 10:30 a.m.
Meeting Notes**

P-20 Council Members Present: Dr. Sybil Francis, Dr. Jim Zaharis, Dr. Karen Butterfield for Tom Horne, and Dr. David Curd.
Others: Benah Parker, Center for the Future of Arizona, Greg Hickman and Mitch Bartholomew, ASU West, and Amanda Burke.
Staff: Debra Raeder, Lauren Kielsmeier, and Erin Hart.

1. Call to Order & Welcome

Dr. Sybil Francis called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

(Note that the following agenda items were not heard in order at the prerogative of the Chair.)

2. Review/Discussion on current Legislation:

- a. **HB 2376 – Individual Personalized Graduation Plans**
- b. **HB 2670 - School dropout age; increase**
- c. **HB 2238 – Early Graduation Scholarship Program**
- d. **SB 1177 – End of Course Assessment**
- e. **SB 1224 – Teacher Identifiers**

Staff provided a brief update on the current status of legislation listed above that particularly impacts the recommendations of the Committee. The Committee engaged in lengthy discussion. Staff will work to identify ways for the Committee to be involved in the legislative process.

3. Review and Discussion: State Graduation goal

Benah Parker updated the Committee on the current status of the effort to implement a State graduation goal. Clarification was made that the goal endorsed by the Council should state 12 percentage points by 2012. The Center continues to reach out to school districts and is looking for additional endorsements.

4. Presentation: Review of dropout data from K-12 - The Differential Trajectory of High School Graduates & Dropouts

Greg Hickman and Mitch Bartholomew, from ASU West, provided information to the Committee regarding research on identified common characteristics of high school graduates and dropouts. The Committee engaged in discussion regarding this information.

5. Update: Raising the Compulsory Attendance Age – Enforcement

Due to time constraints and to give staff more time for research, this item was tabled for a future meeting.

6. Next Steps

Committee members expressed the desire to support current P-20 related legislation as appropriate. Staff committed to following up.

7. Call to the Public

A call was made to the public with no response.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.